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3. Port Security - While entering the port and prior to obtaining clearance, ship was boarded at the channel entrance and subjected to a three hour search by some sort of secret police. During this search some 12 men were stationed about the ship. One crew member accompanied the searchers. Customary sealing of the ship's radio, binoculars, cameras and of the ship's store took place for the duration of the stay in port. While in port surveillance was maintained by two armed soldiers who were stationed at or near the gangway while a third member of the security group conducted a roving-patrol watch about the vessel. He carried only a whistle which was to be used if the need arose to summon one of the armed soldiers. A search of two hours duration was conducted when the vessel left port.

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